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GERMAN ONSLAUGHTS GAIN VERY LITTLE GROUND TODAY

**ALLIES EFFECTIVELY BLOCK ROAD OF HUN
ARMIES IN NEW DRIVE TOWARDS AMIENS**

(By the Associated Press)

American, British and French troops, on a twenty mile front in Picardy, are withstanding renewed German efforts to reach Amiens. Having forced the British from Villers-Bretonneux, south of the Somme and eleven miles east of Amiens, the enemy is facing the British on hill positions west and northwest of the village. American and French troops on the line from Hangard-En-Santerre to south of Castel, are holding the Germans well in check. The only progress made by the enemy here has been the capture of Hangard village. South of the Somme the Germans were hurled back by the British while north of the Somme attacks near the river and north of Albert were repulsed. There has been an increase also in the Flanders fighting. A German attack east of Rebecq was repulsed while the British made small gains west of Merville, and around Meteren.

GERMANS ARE HURLED BACK

**BRITISH AND FRENCH REPEL
SEVERAL ATTACKS. FIGHT-
ING CONTINUES.**

(By the Associated Press)

London, April 25.—Three attacks by the Germans on the British positions east of Amiens have been repulsed, according to official announcement. On the Flanders front late yesterday the Germans attacked French positions northeast of Bailloul and were repulsed. Early this morning, after an intense bombardment, they renewed their attacks on this sector and against British positions farther east. The British regained some ground around Villers-Bretonneux by counter attacks and took some prisoners. Sever fighting with heavy casualties to the enemy still continues here. On the Bailloul sector the battle continues on a wide front.

Paris Bombardment Resumed
Paris, April 25.—The German long range bombardment of this city was resumed this morning.

REGISTERED MEN MAY VOLUNTEER FOR NAVY

Kansas City, Mo., April 24.—Men registered for selective service are offered the opportunity of enlisting in the navy any time prior to time they are used for induction into military service by the Local Boards, according to a ruling announced today by the Navy Recruiting Service for the Kansas City District.

Registered men desirous of volunteering for Naval Service are instructed to appear before their Local Boards and procure certificates stating that they have not been called for draft service or that they are not needed for any quota then ordered. Upon presentation of this certificate men will be enlisted in the navy.

Local Boards in the Kansas City District are urging all Class One men to investigate the navy immediately and announce their choice of service in order that accurate computation may be made of the number of men remaining for army service.

FEW AMERICANS KILLED IN RECENT BATTLE

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, April 25.—The number of Americans killed in action in the German attack on April 20 near Seicheprey was less than twelve and the number injured about twenty. These figures, made known today appear to give support to the German claim of taking 300 American prisoners since the previous announcement admitted American casualties at about 200.

GETTING SUGAR FOR CANNING PURPOSES

(By the Associated Press)

Oklahoma City, April 25.—While the rule of food administration limiting purchases of sugar to 50 cents worth at a time for city customers and \$1 at a time for farmers is to be kept in force, an arrangement has been made whereby sugar may be obtained for home canning purposes through the making of an application to the grocer accompanied by a certificate to the food administration, it was announced today by C. B. Ames, state food administrator.

The national food administration asserts that the strictest economy must be practiced with sugar at this time in order that there will be enough available during the canning season.

Forms on which application for sugar for canning purposes will be made are being sent out today to the county food administrators who will furnish grocers with the certificates. Those desiring an extra amount of sugar to be used for canning may obtain the blanks from grocers, who are authorized to supply additional amounts of sugar upon the presentation of the blanks, properly filled out.

The form of the certificates follows:

I hereby declare to the United States food administration that I desire to purchase from..... an amount of..... pounds of sugar for my use for preserving and canning purposes only, and that I shall return any surplus not used for this purpose.

Signed.....

Address.....
This certificate should be returned to..... federal food administrator for the state of Oklahoma within one week.

Theaters

LIBERTY

Bobby "Possum" Jarvis and his big fun show with his dancing beauty chorus and black face comedians will give another hilarious entertainment this evening. The picture program presents Louise Lovely, Betty Schade and Alfred Allen in "Painted Lips," a five-act feature that is full of dramatic intensity.

MAJESTIC

"The Apple-Tree Girl," a five reel production from the Edison Studios, featuring Shirley Mason and Ray McKee, will be shown at the Majestic theater tonight. This is a story full of action, love interest and humor. Shirley Mason is, as always, versatile and charming and Ray McKee ably supports her throughout the play.

MORE EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN CALIFORNIA

(By the Associated Press)
San Jacinto, Calif., April 25.—Two more earthquakes occurred during last night, one at 8 o'clock, another at midnight. No damage done.

40 on Casualty List.

Washington, April 25.—Today's casualty list contained forty-nine names divided as follows: Killed in action two, died of wounds six, died of accident four, died of disease seven, died of other causes one, wounded severely five, wounded lightly twenty-four.

BRITISH LOSS OF GUNS IS HEAVY

(By the Associated Press)

London, April 25.—The British have lost nearly 1000 guns and between 4000 and 5000 machine guns and total manufacture of munitions of between one and three weeks, since the present battle in France began, Winston Spencer Churchill, minister of munitions, told the House of Commons today. All losses have been made good, however.

BIG STEAMSHIP TURNS TURTLE

(By the Associated Press)

An Atlantic Port, April 25.—The American line steamship St. Paul recently brought from drydock, was overturned at her pier here today. It is supposed the sea cocks were left open. So far no one is reported injured. Military authorities have taken charge.

AGREEMENT REACHED ON WOOL PRICE

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, April 25.—Wool growers in conference here with the Marine Industries Board agreed to turn over the entire wool output of the country at prices prevailing for washed wool July 30 last. The government will distribute all wool not required for the army and navy to dealers for civilian use.

SIX MEN KILLED IN COLLISION ON BURLINGTON

(By the Associated Press)
Bayard, Neb., April 25.—Six men were killed in a collision between a Burlington fast freight and work train in Bayard outskirts yesterday during snow storm.

LORD NORTHCOTE'S BROTHER RESIGNS FROM CABINET

(By the Associated Press)
London, April 25.—Lord Northmore, Lord Northcliffe's brother, has resigned from the office of secretary of state for air forces according to announcement.

The highest military title in the United States army is general. This is held by John J. Pershing and Tasker H. Bliss.

COUNTY'S QUOTA FOR RED CROSS \$18,800

Pontotoc county's quota for the next Red Cross campaign is set at \$18,800. This is considerably less than the quota of last summer and with the spirit of the people much more aroused than it was then, it is certain that the county will go over the top in the usual Pontotoc county style. J. M. Wintersmith is the county chairman and R. R. Cain, chairman of the district.

CANDIDATES OUSTED FROM STATE COUNCIL

Oklahoma City, April 25.—Men who announce as candidates for county or state offices automatically will cease to be members of county or state defense councils, it was announced yesterday by Chester H. Westfall, assistant secretary of the state council.

A number of members of county councils of defense already have announced themselves as candidates for office and had their names stricken from the executive committee. The action has been taken so as to keep politics entirely away from the work of the councils, Westfall said.

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HISTORIC MILL BURNED DOWN

**MILL AT FRANKS IS DESTROYED
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CONSIDERABLE FEED.**

The mill at Franks, the barns and stables in the lot and part of the water flume were destroyed by fire this morning slightly after midnight.

Clarence Clark, who has charge of the property, said that when discovered the fire was burning in two places, appearing to have been started that way. It was so far along that attempts to put it out were useless.

This old mill is one of the landmarks of Pontotoc county. It was built long ago when this was an Indian country and Ada was not. Franks at that time was a thriving village, located on one of the most famous streams in this part of the state. The big springs were the watering place for the Indians going from Fort Smith, Ark., to Ft. Sill, Okla., and other places in the west. The mill for a long time belonged to the late Frank Byrd.

OKLAHOMA STATE BANK ENLARGING BUILDING.

The Oklahoma State bank is growing outside as well as inside. Work has begun on a two-story extension that will carry the building back to the alley. Both lower and upper stories will be arranged after the most approved plans of architecture. The bank will occupy part of the additional floor space and the remainder will be rented out.

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CHAMP CLARK OFFERED PLACE IN SENATE.

(By the Associated Press)

Jefferson City, Mo., April 25.—Governor Gardner tonight tendered to Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives the appointment as senator to succeed the late William J. Stone. The governor announced that he had sent the following telegram to Clark:

"I have the honor of tendering to you appointment as senator to fill vacancy caused by death of Senator Stone. I hope to have early advice of your acceptance."

BRITISH RAIDERS EFFECTIVE WORK

(By the Associated Press)

London, April 25.—Air observation shows a clear break of twenty yards in width in the Zeebrugge mole at the inner end and that a sunken object blocks the greater part of the channel in the harbor of Ostend, according to an official bulletin issued by the admiralty.

Notice Masons.

Ada Lodge, A. F. & A. M., will meet at 8 o'clock (sharp) tonight for purpose of work in Fellowcraft Degree.—John Thrasher, W. M.

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If Germany were to drive the British army from the continent, annihilate the French army, and push off the Americans into the sea, she still could not win, because she can never destroy the soul of these three countries. This thought was given a few days ago in Oklahoma City by a prominent Frenchman. A determined people like this cannot be defeated, especially when they know that they are fighting for the right.

Sacrifices must be made. Revolutionary measures are necessary. Already the fuel administration has curtailed the output of brick and clay tile manufacturing plants. Other industries may come in the same class before long. Some people will suffer of course, but we should all remember that war means suffering, not only physically but financially and mentally as well. We must smile even if our business has to go a-glimmering.

The Germans are face to face with the problem of evacuating the Amiens sector or widening it out and consolidating the positions. With the lines as they are at present, the Germans can be attacked from the north by the British and from the south by the French, and at the same time hampered by the French, British and Americans on the west. Such a position is impossible for a great length of time. Hindenburg must gain more territory or he must give up that which he has already won.

Beginning May 20, a drive for more funds for the American Red Cross will begin. J. M. Wintersmith, a great organizer and a hard worker, will lead the forces of the county. Ralph R. Cain, who led the Christmas membership campaign in this county, is now district manager, having in charge several counties in this part of the state. With these two men in charge here, it is a foregone conclusion that Pontotoc will go over. But that does not mean that these men will be wholly responsible for the success of the drive. Every man, woman and child in the county is now a great believer in the Red Cross and wants to do what he can for the cause.

Poor old Ireland! We once pitied her. Now we look on her with disgust. For years the Irish have insisted they were for liberty and freedom. Now when the liberty and freedom of the world are at stake, we see the Irish putting and pulling back and offering to stab England in the back. If Ireland is not willing to get into this war and fight, she belongs in Europe with Germany and the other misguided mortals. She wants home rule, and home rule is offered to her. She now refuses to accept that because it carries with it an obligation to help free the world of the German beast. Ireland has many grievances against Great Britain, but should not be too hasty now.

The German drive has started again and the objective seems to be Amiens. If the Germans three weeks ago could have captured this city the fall would have been a severe blow

to the Allies. It would probably have meant the separation of the French and British armies and perhaps the turning back of the British upon the channel ports. But now no such result would be the case. The armies have been enabled to make their lines of communication such that the giving up of Amiens would only be the loss of another city. We do not say that Amiens will fall, and it is entirely possible that it will not. But what would have been a calamity three weeks ago would now be only a loss of a bit of territory.

A NIGHT ON THE AVIATION FIELD

With the British Armies in France March 20.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) "In the early part of the night before the mist set in our night-flying squadron dropped five tons of bombs on two hostile aerodromes."—Official Communiqué.

A most prosaic statement and one from which the average reader would fail to get much thrill. "Our night flying squadrons dropped five tons of bombs." A mere commonplace; an incident in the daily routine. So far as color goes it might have read: "Our motor transport brought up five tons of biscuits."

And yet behind that brief announcement, short of all heroes, and behind every similar announcement, lies a wealth of supreme daring, of dangers, seen and unseen, of hairbreadth escapes and nerve-racking episodes.

The correspondent of The Associated Press witnessed the start and the return of the airmen who "dropped five tons of bombs," and the story of this very ordinary night may serve to give the reader some idea of the daily life of the aviator who, as it were, continually battles on the edge of a precipice while the many hands of war reach out to drag him down.

We arrived at a great British aerodrome just as the evening shades were falling and the mechanics were making their final inspection of the huge bombing machines which shortly were to wheel their way across the fighting lines with their freight of explosives. Some day flyers were returning from their trips, winging their way straight and true towards the aerodrome from all directions like mighty homing pigeons. A few pilots were circling in picturesque curves above the grounds, and occasionally swooping down in lightning charges towards stationary targets while their machine guns spat a steady stream of livid fire to the accompaniment of that wicked staccato chatter which spells one of the greatest terrors of the front.

The night flyers were to go out as soon as darkness had settled, and we found them all in the mess hall over their early dinners. Twelve machines were to engage in the raid in hand, which meant that twenty-four of these clean-cut boys would soon be risking their lives over the inhospitable zone where the Germans watch and wait for the appearance of enemy aircraft.

"We joined them at mess and listened to their conversation. It gave one sensation of witnessing a drama which could have no basis in fact, to look into their youthful faces with the realization that within a short space they might all be called upon to pay the great price in defense of King and country.

They are not discussing the raid. In fact, they seemed to be avoiding it. Their talk was largely made up of inconsequential chaff, and it seemed at moments that there was just a suspicion of "nerves" in their outbursts of laughter. From time to time some one of them would fall into silence and thoughtfulness, only to be recalled from his reverie by the quip of a comrade. They watched one another like brothers, and we wondered if there were not some methods in this bandage of jests, but we asked no questions.

A table just back of the correspondent was filled with a jolly party. A newcomer came in and took his seat, a big, broadshouldered chap with clear eyes and engaging smile. He was the pilot of one of the raiding machines. He was pounced upon immediately. "Your family is very wealthy, we hear, Yank."

"Wealthy, I should say it was," boomed a great voice. "I don't work because I have to. I'm doing this because I like it."

Benefit Concert

Miss Lillie Lawson, a talented reader, will give a concert at the Christian church under the auspices of the XX Century Housewives League, Friday, April 26th, at 8 P. M. Miss Lawson is defraying her expenses at our State University by giving readings and has charmed and entertained many audiences the past winter. Give the helping hand by attending this concert, to a deserving young woman, who is seeking a higher education. Miss Lawson will be assisted by Miss McRuer, a whistler of unusual attainments

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which represented the great machines that stood waiting for their pilots and observers. Off toward the east the sky quivered and glowed fitfully with the crimson flashes from a myriad guns, while the shrapnel hurled vicious flashes all along the line. It was toward these ominous beacons that the flight was going.

There was no delay. Time was valuable for there were signs that mists might come at any time. Within five minutes the throbbing of a powerful engine began, a machine gun barked as the observer tested the weapon, and then the plane glided swiftly away across the field and swept into the air, its little signal lights gleaming like stars. Another followed, and another, until the twelve had all embarked on their perilous voyage whose ending no one could prophesy.

Gradually the blinking eyes of the planes disappeared, and we stood and counted the minutes as we strained our eyes towards the battle lines where the flights would cross. Suddenly a stream of balls of fire began to mount high into the air over the trenches. The airmen had reached the land of hate, and their punishment began in earnest.

The deluge continued, and the shrapnel flashed in ever increasing numbers. German searchlights went peering through the clouds, and we learned later that one ray rested squarely on a British plane. It was a heartbreaking moment for the pilot and observer. Their chances were small, but the light moved on and upward and the plane was again enveloped in darkness.

All the planes but one were across the line at last. The one machine came wheeling back, flashing its personal signal as it felt its way toward home. A signal from the ground answered, and the plane circled slowly down and came bobbing across the field. Engine trouble had forced a return, but there had been no accident.

It neared the hour for the other planes to be coming back. The squadron commander was pacing up and down the field like a caged tiger. His nerves were strained almost to the breaking point, and he made no effort to cancel it. His boys, the lads whom he loved like a brother, were himself had spent many bitter days and nights in a fighting plane, and he knew the hell the flight was going through at the moment. And so he stamped about unhappily, with his peering eyes ever on the eastern horizon, watching for the twin stars which would herald the return of at least one of the wanderers.

Finally a set of lights appeared and swung swiftly towards the west. "Dash, dot, dash, dash—" went the code.

"It's Brown and Little," sighed the commander, and he was off post haste toward the landing place. The machine circled and perched. "That you Brown?" the commander demanded anxiously. "Everything all right?"

He swerved and came swooping down into the aerodrome, saved by a few yards.

The men were all back and we went to the commander's office to hear them give their reports. They entered in twos and threes, their helmets pushed back, but still wearing their bulky garments that made them look like Arctic explorers, or "teddybears." But what a change in their demeanor. They were no longer the laughing, jesting crowd of two hours before. They were pale and haggard, and their eyes were strained and brilliant. No need for them to say what they had been through. Their faces told the story.

One by one they told briefly what they had done. They had, or they had not reached their objective. The Hun hate? Very bad, indeed, but not a subject for discussion. Their reports were taken and they moved quietly away. They wanted to be alone.

The Bostonian paused for a moment by The Associated Press correspondent. The big youth still wore a smile, but he was subdued. The "chauffeur" had had a hard trip that night. He pulled out his pipe and filled it reflectively.

This business of bombing is all habit," he remarked philosophically, as he crammed the tobacco down. "The British army has a habit of sending us out, and we have a habit of going and bombing the Hun. All a habit, just like smoking, though perhaps not quite so pleasant."

We shook hands and he went away to his billet, his great frame completely filled the office door as he stepped out.

At the Target Range; the Barrage.

At their posts they are, at their posts they are,
Silent as a summer bower,
Waiting for the order to fire,
At the tense zero hour.

On the summit the big guns are,
Giant dogs of war,
Ready to bite with all their might
At the foe that is afar.

While down below in sinister sinuous row
The sunshine guns lie in wait,
Ready to throw at the zero hour
Their venomous volume of hate.

The keen-eyed gunner his target cannot see,
But to him its all the same,
Well does he know where the shots will go
For he holds to the auxiliary aim.

Not a twig moves on the long hillside,
The gunner holds his breath,
Soon the big guns will flash, pound and smash,
And into the fray will come a spray
From the direful "Hose of Death."

They're at their posts, silent as ghosts,
Presently things will hum;
Look! the gunner's eye brightens as the silence tightens,
The zero hour has come.

From the hills in a row and the valley below,
Which April's green grandly graces,
Shoots a thousand tongues of flame with deadly aim,
As hell bursts loose in a thousand places,
In the rear the big guns bark and roar,
The machine guns tremble and rave
Warnings to the tyrant who hopes to rule,
"O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

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WORSTELL.

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Quite a lot of sickness in this part of the district. Most everybody had got up until measles now.

Our council of defense met Tuesday night. A large crowd was present. Had two speakers, Mr. Waldby from Bebee and another speaker from Ada. Our school closed Friday. Had a small program for the evening.

Brother Wills of Bebee will preach at Worstell Sunday. Everybody come out to preaching. Singing every Sunday evening.

Miss Lillie Walls was visiting Miss Maude Meadley Sunday. Mrs. Crow was visiting her son, Charley Crow and wife Sunday. Mrs. Walls was visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crow Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hatcher were visiting their home place on the river Sunday. Miss Lucy Walls was visiting the week end with Mrs. Hatcher of Ada. RED WING.

SUNSHINE.

Mr. and Mrs. Littfield went to Ada one day last week.

Mrs. Sarah Blake went to Roff Sunday, to meet her son, G. Franklin Blake from Camp Bowie, who was on his way to Muse to attend to some business affairs.

Arch Pettigrew has been visiting his mother for a few days, but has returned to Camps. Mr. Leslie Hewitt and Annie Vanzant were married Sunday at the home of the bride. Leslie is a good farmer, an honorable citizen, secretary of our singing class, a man of sterling worth and we wish him joy.

Tim Crisp, president of the Council of Defense at Onward, was in our community on business this week. Q. F. Hooks made a business trip to Ada Monday.

George Pitt and H. E. Linsley visited Blue Mound community Sunday, where Mr. Pitt was making some pictures.

The children of W. H. Brents, county commissioner are sick with measles.

Cotton planting in the order of the day. BELLE.

Notice—Cash.

I am forced to place my garage on a strictly cash basis. I have only first class A-1 mechanics. I have cut out all helpers. It costs money to pay these men, buy parts, and materials. So please bring along the money. I thank you.—Grant Irwin Garage. 4-19-6t

FRANCIS.

T. E. Miller has men at work putting in the cement floor in his new building. The second story has been completed and the I. O. O. F. and A. F. & A. M. lodges have moved in. While they are engaged in raising the coal chute the Frisco Railway

Co. has a Brown hoister here to load coal upon the engines.

The last cold wave did not kill anything in this end of the county. It was very chilly but the mercury has again gone up and we hope it will remain there.

Every thing in the business line still rushing and our merchants are very busy dealing out goods.

Lee West, road supervisor, is now engaged with a crew of men putting in a concrete culvert across Main street at Meaders avenue.

J. S. Robins has sold his 40 acres farm north of town to some old people. The consideration was \$1500. The state health man was in town

one day last week rounding up the boys. Some of them were given a piece of his mind.

The Odd Fellows and Masons have now a first class place to hold their meetings. They are in the second story of the Miller building and have every thing up to date in the way of fixtures.

W. P. Chism is having his building on north side of Main replastered and an otherwise renovated for the reception of the Bean Merchandise Co.

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FUEL ADMINISTRATION RESTRICTS USE OF FUEL FOR MANUFACTURING PLANTS.

The United States Fuel Administration has just issued regulations, approved by the War Industries Board, restricting the manufacture of clay products and rearranging and dividing the manufacturing program of this industry in such a way as to place it on the basis of war industry. This information was given out from the office of P. A. Norris, Federal Fuel Administrator for Oklahoma.

Ten orders of this series were signed by Fuel Administrator, H. A. Garfield, the products dealt with being arranged in classes and manufacture curtailed on a percentage basis as follows:

Face Brick, 50 percent restriction; Common Brick, 50 percent; Paving Brick, 50 percent; Terra Cotta, 50 percent; Roofing tile, 50 percent; Floor and wall tile, 50 percent; Sanitary ware, 50 percent; Hollow Tile, 25 percent; Drain Tile and Sewer pipe, 25 percent; Stoneware, (except chemical), 15 percent restriction.

Curtailed in each case is based on the average output of the past three years. It will be noted that the percentage of curtailment is not equal in all classes of clay products. These figures have been reached after careful investigation and represent rates of production which will be for the best interests of the necessary government work and in general for the interests of the manufacturers involved.

The experience of the last year has brought two facts clearly to the front. First, that as far as possible the new war work must be put into old factories to take the place of less essential production. This method of producing war supplies prevents building problems, housing problems and transportation problems which necessarily follow the setting up of new plants for war production. Second, that in addition to this transference it will be necessary for many industries to make deliberate sacrifices of a part of their ordinary business in order that there may be transportation, men and materials enough for war production.

The War Industries Board and the Fuel Administration have been for several months obtaining information which would enable them to reorganize lesser essential industries, such as building materials, which tax transportation facilities and fuel supplies to the largest extent.

The Bureau of Standards and experts associated with each industry have placed their services at the disposal of the Government and have aided in reaching conclusions.

In general the minimum basis of running for the year has been established in each class of clay products. This minimum has taken account of the more necessary requirements outside of strictly war activities as well as the necessities of the Government. Beyond this, it is arranged that whenever the government departments certify requirements in any of the divisions exceeding the productive capacity of a given district on the minimum basis, such facts will be certified to the Fuel Administration and permits for additional running will be issued.

The aim has been to conserve the large interests of the trade involved. Equal treatment for all plants is provided wherever possible. Allowance, however, is made in the plan for recognizing individual instances where an abundance of fuel and absence of congestion make it desirable that a large proportion of production be permitted in a given district. The granting of such additional output has been hedged about with safeguards so that general conditions in the different trades will not be seriously affected.

Very truly,
C. P. VANDERBECK,
Lieutenant U. S. Navy (Ret) Recruiting Officer, Oklahoma City.

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Recitatives and arias are to be sung by Miss Mentzer, Miss Ringer and Mrs. Morrison.

We would call special attention to the fact that all proceeds go to the entertainment unit of the Red Cross work at the front in France.

In Sunday's Oklahoma Gen. Pershing says that after strenuous trench work the English soldier can return to "Blighty," the French soldier can go home, but the American soldier has no where to go unless his country furnishes him musical and theatrical entertainments and the like.

The giving of the proceeds from the presentation of "King Rene's Daughter" is another attempt to help the Red Cross furnish our boys with entertainment that they may not feel like "exiles in a foreign land."

MORE MEN WANTED FOR U. S. NAVY

The following letter to O. N. Walker, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Ada, is in receipt of the following self-explanatory letter:

Oklahoma City, April 16, 1918.

Gentlemen:

The United States navy has opened a drive for men to enroll in the naval coast defense reserve force, for general service. Enrollment in this branch of the service will give those men who are not quite up to the required standard for the regular navy a chance to get in military service. After enrollment in the reserve, a man is on the same status that anyone in the regular service is during time of war. During time of peace, they revert to their former status, that of any other civilian in the United States, as reserve men are on active duty during time of war or national emergency when they may be called out by the president. The term of enrollment is four years. In short, Men of the Reserve are the National guard of the United States navy.

The pay of the branch of the service is the same as the regular navy for the different ratings, plus the annual retainer pay allowed by law, which amounts to \$1.00 per month. This retainer pay continues for the full term of enrollment.

Enrollments are open as apprentice seamen, firemen 2nd class, firemen 3rd class, machinist mates 2nd class, carpenter mates 3rd class, and 2nd class, ship fitters, plumbers and fitters, landsmen for cooks and bakers, and also musicians. The opportunity in the Reserve at this particular time is equal and in many cases better than in the regular service for promotion both in the enlisted and officer personnel.

All Chambers of Commerce in the State of Oklahoma, to whom these letters are sent, are requested to give the utmost publicity to these letters possible, thus fulfilling a patriotic duty to the United States and at the same time helping those men in your community who are not qualified for regular service to enroll in the reserve and serve their country.

All postmasters, to whom these letters are also sent are requested to follow the above paragraph in doing their work. The law governing the payment of gratuity to postmasters for recruits to the navy, is not applicable in the case of men secured for the reserve, but as you are government employees it is to be hoped that they will give their best efforts in this work as they did in the great drive made when war was declared, when all postmasters in the state did their share.

WANT ADS

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LOST—Diamond bar pin. Reward for return to Grace Threlkeld. 4-24-18

LOST—Auto Casing—size 35x4½—nearly new when lost was on an apartment rim. Liberal reward for return of same. N. B. Haney, Jr. 4-22-18

LOST—Will the two young men who found blue hand bag on North Oak, containing small change, set ring inscribed W. H. to C. G., please return to 616 W. 9th St. 4-24-18

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FOR RENT—Furnished bed room. Close in. 419 West 10th. 4-23-18

FOR RENT—Rooms for light housekeeping. Phone 716. 4-22-18

FOR RENT—Furnished bed rooms. —Mrs. M. J. Phillips, 707 East Main. Phone 109. 1-3-18

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FOR RENT—Elegant front bed room, also garage. Close in. Mrs. A. M. Bailey, Phone 701. 4-19-18

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Phone 545. —H. A. Sprague, 510 West 15th. 4-23-18

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WANTED—Your cleaning and pressing. Miller Bros. 3-1-18

WANTED—Carpenter to hang screens.—Cozy Cafe. 4-23-18

COOK WANTED—Byrd Hotel.—D. N. Coleman, Prop. 4-23-18

WANTED—10c and 15c each paid for moles. B. H. McCulley, East Main. 4-15-18

WANTED—Housekeeper, must be neat and clean. Phone 660 or apply at 518 E. 13th. 3-29-18

WANTED—Teams to load hay at Trux switch. \$6 per day. B. F. McCauley, care News. 4-24-18

WANTED—Second hand meal and cake bags. Will pay ten cents each for good sound bags. Osage Cotton Oil Company. 3-25-18

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—New six room modern house. Telephone 315. 4-22-18

FOR SALE—Regular oil maps of the fields in this county. Ada News. 3-22-18

FOR SALE—One dozen R. I. Red Pullets. One 50-bbl. galvanized tank. Phone 443. 4-24-18

FOR SALE—200 bu. Mebane cotton seed. W. E. Walker, Ada, R. F. D. 2. 4-23-18

FOR SALE—Cow, calf and Jersey heifers; cow is fresh.—L. B. Atkeson, phone 332. 4-3-18

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FOR SALE—Two cars, one Overland, one Maxwell; Overland is an electric starter and in A1 shape, ready to run. Let me show you these cars. Priced right for cash. See me at once if you want a good car cheap. Robt. H. Gregory, Cor Broadway and Tenth Sts., Phone 252. 4-24-18

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR TRADE—No. 4 Underwood Typewriter for No. 5 Underwood. Will give good trade. See W. D. Little at 3-25-18

CELEBRATION BY I. O. O. F.

PONTOTOC COUNTY ASSOCIATION WILL OBSERVE WILDEY ANNIVERSARY FRIDAY.

The Pontotoc county Odd Fellows Association will hold the annual Wildey celebration at Ada Friday, the 26th. A large attendance by members of the fraternity from Pontotoc and surrounding counties is anticipated.

Program

Morning—Reception and registering of visitors at I. O. O. F. hall.

1:00 P. M.—Convening of County Association at I. O. O. F. hall.

2:30 P. M.—Open meeting at City Hall.

4:15 P. M.—Reconvening of Association.

6:00 P. M.—Adjournment.

7:30 P. M.—Closing of meeting of the Association and conferring of the Degrees.

Program for the Public Meeting at 2:30 P. M.

Song, "America."

Invocation—Rev. Clifford B. James.

Music.

Address of Welcome—Mayor E. S. Rath.

Response—H. G. Sawyer, County President.

Music.

Address—A. N. Leecraft, P. G. M. and P. G. R.

Song.

Adjournment.

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FRANK ARNETT, N. G.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISTRICT AND COUNTY

The News is authorized to announce the following gentlemen as candidates for the respective offices named, subject to the Democratic Primary:

For District Judge: **ARDEN L. BULLOCK.**

For County Attorney: **WAYNE WADLINGTON.**

For County Treasurer: **D. W. SWAFFAR**

For Sheriff: **BOB DUNCAN** (reelection)

For County Tax Assessor: **NICK HEARD** (Re-election)

For County Clerk: **MILTON GARNER**

For County Weigher: **O. J. LEE** (Re-election).

JOHN WARD

For County Judge: **OREL BUSBY** (Re-election)

J. O. COWART

For Co. Commissioner, 1st District: **W. H. BRUMLEY** (Re-Elec.)

For County Commissioner (2nd Dist.) **R. L. MOSS**

J. I. LAUGHLIN

W. B. SELFREDGE

County Commissioner, 3rd Dist.—**HENRY F. BIBB**

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-Garage Closes.
About 10 p. m. instead of midnight until further notice.—Grant Irwin Garage. 4-19-18

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FOR RENT—Rooms for light house-keeping, 211 West 14th. 4-25-tf

JUDGES REMINDED OF INTERESTS OF SOLDIERS

Oklahoma City, April 25.—Governor Williams yesterday called the attention of all county, district and superior judges of the state to an act of congress approved March 8 which provides a moratorium benefits in favor of soldiers and sailors.

Proceedings in which members of the military and naval forces are interested may be continued through the act and eviction or distress against such persons or their families except under certain provisions is prohibited. The act provides that no judgment by default shall be entered in any case until the plaintiff shall have filed an affidavit showing whether or not the defendant is in military service and establishes certain safeguards where the military status of the defendant is known.

Land and property owned by a soldier or sailor may not be sold for taxes while the owner is in the service under provisions of the bill.

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E. D. Gillette to M. M. Benedum et al; w2 ne, n2 nw se sec. 29, 5n 7e.

"Over the Top"

By An American Soldier
Who Went

ARTHUR GUY EMPEY
Machine Gunner Serving in France

CHAPTER XVIII.

Staged Under Fire.

Three days after the incident just related our company was relieved from the front line and carried. We stayed in reserve billets for about two weeks when we received the welcome news that our division would go back of the line "to rest billets." We would remain in these billets for at least two months, this in order to be restored to our full strength by drafts of recruits from Blighty.

Everyone was happy and contented at these tidings; all you could hear around the billets was whistling and singing. The day after the receipt of the order we hiked for five days, making an average of about twelve miles per day until we arrived at the small town of O—.

It took us about three days to get settled, and from then on our cushy time started. We would parade from 8:45 in the morning until 12 noon. Then except for an occasional billet or brigade guard we were on our own. For the first four or five afternoons I spent my time in bringing up to date my neglected correspondence.

Tommy loves to be amused, and being a Yank, they turned to me for something new in this line. I taught them how to pitch horseshoes, and this game made a great hit for about ten days. Then Tommy turned to America for a new diversion. I was up in the air until a happy thought came to me. Why not write a sketch and break Tommy in as an actor?

One evening after "lights out," when you are not supposed to talk, I imparted my scheme in whispers to the section. They eagerly accepted the idea of forming a stock company and

could hardly wait until the morning for further details.

After parade, the next afternoon I was almost mobbed. Everyone in the section wanted a part in the proposed sketch. When I informed them that it would take at least ten days of hard work to write the plot, they were bitterly disappointed. I immediately got busy, made a desk out of biscuit tins in the corner of the billet, and put up a sign "Empey & Wallace Theatrical Co." About twenty of the section, upon reading this sign, immediately applied for the position of office boy. I accepted the twenty applicants, and sent them on scouting parties throughout the deserted French village. These parties were to search all the attics for discarded civilian clothes, and anything that we could use in the props of our proposed company.

About five that night they returned covered with grime and dust, but loaded down with a miscellaneous assortment of everything under the sun. They must have thought that I was going to start a department store, judging from the different things they brought back from their pillage.

After eight days' constant writing I completed a two-act farce comedy which I called "The Diamond Palace Saloon." Upon the suggestion of one of the boys in the section I sent a proof of the program to a printing house in London. Then I assigned the different parts and started rehearsing. David Belasco would have thrown up his hands in despair at the material which I had to use. Just imagine trying to teach a Tommy, with a strong cockney accent, to impersonate a Bovey tough or a Southern negro.

Adjacent to our billet was an open field. We got busy at one end of it and constructed a stage. We secured the lumber for the stage by demolishing an old wooden shack in the rear of our billet.

The first scene was supposed to represent a street on the Bowery in New York, while the scene of the second act was the interior of the Diamond Palace saloon, also on the Bowery.

In the play I took the part of Abe Switch, a farmer, who had come from Pumpkinville Center, Tenn., to make his first visit to New York.

In the first scene Abe Switch meets the proprietor of the Diamond Palace saloon, a ramshackle affair which to the owner was a financial loss.

The proprietor's name was Tom Twistem, his bartender being named Fillem Up.

After meeting Abe, Tom and Fillem Up persuaded him to buy the place, praising it to the skies and telling wondrous tales of the money taken over the bar.

While they are talking, an old Jew named Ike Cohenstein comes along, and Abe engages him for cashier. After engaging Ike they meet an old Southern negro called Sambo, and upon the suggestion of Ike he is engaged as porter. Then the three of

themselves "The Bow Bells," and put on a sketch entitled, "Blighty—What Hopes?" They were the divisional concert party.

We hoped they all would be soon in Blighty to give us a chance.

This company charged an admission of a franc per head, and that night our company went en masse to see their performance. It really was good.

I had a sinking sensation when I thought of running my sketch in opposition to it.

In one of their scenes they had a soubrette called Flossie. The soldier that took this part was clever and made a fine-appearing and chic girl. We immediately fell in love with her until two days after, while we were on a march, we passed Flossie with "her" sleeves rolled up and the sweat pouring from "her" face unloading shells from a motor lorry.

As our section passed her I yelled out: "Hello, Flossie; Blighty—What Hopes?" Her reply made our love die out instantly.

"Ah, go to h—ll!" This brought quite a laugh from the marching column directed at me, and I instantly made up my mind that our sketch should immediately run in opposition to "Blighty—What Hopes?"

When we returned to our billet from the march, Curley Wallace, my theatrical partner, came running over to me and said he had found a swanky place in which to produce our show.

After taking off my equipment, and followed by the rest of the section, I went over to the building he had picked out. It was a monstrous barn with a platform at one end which would make an ideal stage. The section got right on the job, and before night had that place rigged out in apple-pie order.

The next day was Sunday and after church parade we put all our time on a dress rehearsal, and it went fine.

I made four or five large signs announcing that our company would open up that evening at the King George the Fifth theater, on the corner of Ammo street and Sandbag terrace. General admission was one-half franc. First ten rows in orchestra one franc, and boxes two francs. By this time our printed programs had returned from London, and I further announced that on the night of the first performance a program would be given free of charge to men holding tickets costing a franc or over.

We had an orchestra of seven men and seven different instruments. This orchestra was excellent, while they were not playing.

The performance was scheduled to start at 6 p. m.

At 5:15 there was a mob in front of our entrance and it looked like a big night. We had two boxes each accommodating four people, and these we immediately sold out. Then a brilliant idea came to Ike Cohenstein. Why not use the rafters overhead, call them boxes, and charge two francs for a seat on them? The only difficulty



Preparing the "Chow."

them, arm in arm, leave to take possession of this wonderful palace which Abe has just paid \$6,000 for. (Current.)

In the second act the curtain rises on the interior of the Diamond Palace saloon, and the audience gets its first shock. The saloon looks like a pigpen, two tramps lying drunk on the floor, and the bartender in a dirty shirt with his sleeves rolled up, asleep with his head on the bar.

Enter Abe, Sambo and Ike, and the fun commences.

One of the characters in the second act was named Broadway Kate, and I had an awful job to break in one of the Tommies to act and talk like a woman.

Another character was Alkali Ike, an Arizona cowboy, who just before the close of the play comes into the saloon and wrecks it with his revolver.

We had eleven three-hour rehearsals before I thought it advisable to present the sketch to the public.

The whole brigade was crazy to witness the first performance. This performance was scheduled for Friday night and everyone was full of anticipation; when bang! orders came through that the brigade would move at two that afternoon. Cursing and blinding was the order of things upon the receipt of this order, but we moved.

That night we reached the little village of S— and again went into rest billets. We were to be there two weeks. Our company immediately got busy and scoured the village for a suitable place in which to present our production. Then we received another shock.

A rival company was already established in the village. They called

as how were the men to reach these boxes, but to Ike this was a mere detail.

He got long ropes and tied one end around each rafter and then tied a lot of knots in the ropes. These ropes would take the place of stairways.

We figured out that the rafters would seat about forty men and sold that number of tickets accordingly.

When the ticketholders for the boxes got a glimpse of the rafters and were informed that they had to use the rope stairway, there was a howl of indignation, but we had their money and told them that if they did not like it they could write to the management later and their money would be refunded; but under these conditions they would not be allowed to witness the performance that night.

After a little grumbling they accepted the situation with the promise that if the show was rotten they certainly would let us know about it during the performance.

Everything went lovely and it was a howling success, until Alkali Ike appeared on the scene with his revolver loaded with blank cartridges. Behind the bar on a shelf was a long line of bottles. Alkali Ike was supposed to start on the left of this line and break six of the bottles by firing at them with his revolver. Behind these bottles a piece of painted canvas was supposed to represent the back of the bar, at each shot from Alkali's pistol a man behind the scenes would hit one of the bottles with his entrenching tool handle and smash it, to give the impression that Alkali was a good shot.

Alkali Ike started in and aimed at the right of the line of bottles instead of the left, and the poor boob behind the scenes started breaking the bottles

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on the left, and then the boxholders turned loose; but outside of this little fiasco the performance was a huge success, and we decided to run it for a week.

New troops were constantly coming through, and for six performances we had the "S. R. O." sign suspended outside.

(To be Continued.)

City News

Got it at Gwin & May. See Warren and See Better. Have your Photo made at West's.

All vegetable plants cash.—Ada Greenhouse. 3-29-tf

Fair and warmer weather is the prospect for Friday.

Alfalfa hay 75c per bale. W. C. Rollow. 4-23-5t

C. H. Rives was looking after business matters at Stonewall today.

Curlee Clothing at Burk's. 4-23-5td-1tw

Miss Kate Braley has accepted a position with the Osage Cotton Oil Co.

Annie Laurie Hill, daughter of Sherwood Hill and wife, is reported quite ill.

A. L. Jones, a former student of the normal, was up from Camp Travis Wednesday.

Burk's for ladies' ready-to-wear. 4-23-5td-1tw

Street Davis returned to Camp Bowie Wednesday night after a leave of absence spent with his parents, C. G. Davis and wife.

You will enjoy the Benefit Concert Friday evening at the Christian church. 4-25-2t

It is a pleasure for us to show you our different kinds of plants and flowers, whether you buy or not.—Ada Greenhouse. 4-18-tf

Castor Gay and family went to Stonewall today on a short visit. Mr. Gay stated that he expected to try his hand fishing for a day or two.

Prof. A. L. Fentem and wife left for Camp Doniphan this afternoon on a brief visit to their sons, Longley and George, who expect to be ordered to France soon.

H. R. Snyder left this afternoon for his home at Petersburg, Indiana. Mr. Snyder has for the past few years had a longing to become a citizen of Ada and says that hopes to realize this ambition within the next few months. He likes the hustling spirit that prevails here.

Paul Alderson, who has been at Camp Travis for several months, and also in the officers' training camp, is expected home this afternoon on a furlough, the first he has had since entering the service.

Hospital on grounds—a pill for every ill.

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University Wins in Three Debates.

Norman, Okla., April 25.—(Special)—The University of Oklahoma won three of five intercollegiate debates held in the season just closed.

In the last two contests, the Sooners won from the University of Texas but lost to the University of Missouri. These were held last week.

Previously the university had defeated the University of Colorado and Tulane university and lost to the University of Kansas.

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